AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claims 1-6. (Cancelled)

- 7. (New) A method of treating cognitive deficits in a patient having a neurodegenerative disease, the method comprising administering to the patient an effective amount of a compound of the pyrazolopyridine family.
- 8. (New) The method of claim 7, wherein the compound is a substituted or substituted compound of formula (I)

- 9. (New) The method of claim 8, wherein the compound is etazolate or tracazolate.
- 10. (New) The method of claim 7, wherein the compound is selected from the following compounds:

Ethylic ester of 4-butylamino-1-ethyl-6-methyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid (tracazolate),

Ethylic ester of 4-butylamino-1-ethyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid

1-(4-amino-pyrazolo[3,4-b]pyridin-1-yl)- \Box -D-1-deoxy-ribofuranose

Ethylic ester of 1-ethyl-4-(N'-isopropylidene-hydrazino)-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid (SQ 20009),

4-amino-6-methyl-1-n-pentyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]pyridine

Ethylic ester of 4-Amino-1-ethyl-6-methyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid (desbutyl tracacolate),

4-amino-1-pentyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]pyridine-5-carboxamide,

Ethylic ester of 1-ethyl-6-methyl-4-methylamino-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

Ethylic ester of 4-amino-6-methyl-1-propyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

Ethylic ester of 1-ethyl-4-ethylamino-6-methyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

Ethylic ester of 4-amino-1-butyl-6-methyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

5-(4-amino-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridin-1-yl)-2-hydroxymethyl-tetrahydro-furan-3-ol, allylic ester of 1-allyl-4-amino-6-methyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

4-amino-6-methyl-1-pentyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

ethylic ester of 4-amino-1-ethyl-3,6-dimethyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

ethylic ester of 4-dimethylamino-1-ethyl-6-methyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

ethylic ester of 1-ethyl-6-methyl-4-propylamino-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

ethylic ester of 4-amino-1-pentyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

ethylic ester of 4-amino-6-methyl-1-pent-4-ynyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

4-amino-1-but-3-enyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-allylamide,

4-amino-1-pentyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-isopropylamide,

4-amino-1-pentyl-N-n-propyl-1H-pyrazolo-[3,4-b]pyridine-5-carboxamide,

allylic ester of 4-amino-1-butyl-6-methyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

ethylic ester of 4-amino-6-methyl-1-pent-3-ynyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

4-amino-1-pentyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-prop-2-ynylamide

allylic ester of 4-amino-1-(3-methyl-butyl)-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

4-amino-1-pentyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]pyridine-5-N-(2-propenyl)carboxamide,

allylic ester of 4-amino-1-pentyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

4-amino-1-pentyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-butylamide,

allylic ester of 4-amino-1-but-3-ynyl-6-methyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

allylic ester of 4-amino-1-but-3-enyl-6-methyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

4-amino-6-methyl-1-pentyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-allylamide,

allylic ester of 4-amino-6-methyl-1-pentyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

allylic ester of 4-amino-6-methyl-1-(3-methyl-butyl)-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

isobutylic ester of 4-amino-6-methyl-1-pentyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

4-amino-6-methyl-1-pentyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-butylamide,

allylic ester of 4-amino-6-methyl-1-(3-methyl-but-2-enyl)-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

4-amino-1-pentyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-cyclopropylamide,

ethyl 4-amino-1-pentyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]pyridine-5-hydroxamate,

prop-2-ynylic ester of 4-amino-6-methyl-1-pentyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

allylic ester of 4-amino-6-methyl-1-pent-4-ynyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

allylic ester of 4-amino-6-methyl-1-pent-4-enyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

4-amino-1-pent-3-ynyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-propylamide,

 $\hbox{\it 4-amino-1-pentyl-1$$H$-pyrazolo[3,4-$b]$ pyridine-5-cyclopropylmethyl-amide,}\\$

2-methyl-allylic ester of 4-amino-6-methyl-1-pentyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

4-Amino-1-pent-3-ynyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]pyridine-5-allylamide (ICI 190,622),

4-amino-1-pent-4-ynyl-N-2-propenyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]pyridine-5-carboxamide,

4-amino-1-pent-3-ynyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-prop-2-ynylamide,

4-amino-1-pentyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-but-2-ynylamide,

allylic ester of 4-amino-6-methyl-1-pent-3-ynyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

allylic ester of 4-amino-1-(2-cyclopropyl-ethyl)-6-methyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

allylic ester of 4-amino-1-hex-5-ynyl-6-methyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

4-amino-1-pent-3-ynyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-cyclopropylmethyl-amide,

but-3-enylic ester of 4-amino-6-methyl-1-pentyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

cyclopropylmethylic ester of 4-amino-6-methyl-1-pentyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

4-butylamino-1-pentyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-allylamide,

2-cyclopropyl-ethylic ester of 4-amino-6-methyl-1-pentyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

cyclopropylmethylic ester of 4-amino-6-methyl-1-pent-3-ynyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

cyclopropylmethylic ester of 4-amino-6-methyl-1-pent-4-ynyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

ethylic ester of 4-amino-1-benzyl-6-methyl-1 H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

4-amino-1-pentyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-benzylamide,

4-amino-1-pentyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-phenylamide,

benzylic ester of 4-amino-6-methyl-1-pentyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

4-Azido-1-□-D-ribofuranosylpyrazolo[3,4-b]pyridine,

1-pent-3-ynyl-N-2-propenyl-4-propionamido-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]pyridine-5-carboxamide,

2-(4-amino-pyrazolo[3,4-b]pyridin-1-yl)-5-hydroxymethyl-tetrahydro-furan-3,4-diol,

2-(6-methyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridin-4-ylamino)-ethanol,

3-(6-methyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridin-4-ylamino)-propan-1-ol,

propylic ester of 3-(6-methyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridin-4-ylamino)-acetic acid, ethylic ester of 2-(6-methyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridin-4-ylamino)-propionic acid,

ethylic ester of 2-(6-methyl-1 H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]pyridin-4-ylamino)-pentanoic acid,

ethylic ester of 2-(6-methyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridin-4-ylamino)-benzoic acid,

propylic ester of 3-(6-methyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridin-4-ylamino)-pentanoic acid,

N-benzylidene-N-(3-methyl-1-phenyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]pyridin-4-yl)-hydrazine,

N- furan-2-ylmethylene-N- (3-methyl-1-phenyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]pyridin-4-yl)-hydrazine,

N-(4-fluoro-benzylidene)-N-(3-methyl-1-phenyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]pyridin-4-yl)-hydrazine,

N-(3-furan-2-yl-allylidene)-N-(3-methyl-1-phenyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]pyridin-4-yl)-hydrazine,

N-(4-methoxy-benzylidene)-N-(3-methyl-1-phenyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]pyridin-4-yl)-hydrazine,

4-[(3-methyl-1-phenyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]pyridin-4-yl)-hydrazonomethyl]-benzonitrile,

N-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-ylmethylene-N-(3-methyl-1-phenyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]pyridin-4-yl)-hydrazine,

N-(3-methyl-1-phenyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]pyridin-4-yl)-N-(4-nitro-benzylidene)-hydrazine,

N-(3-methyl-1-phenyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]pyridin-4-yl)-N-(2-nitro-benzylidene)-hydrazine,

N-(3-methyl-1-phenyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]pyridin-4-yl)-N-(4-trifluoromethyl-benzylidene)-hydrazine,

N-(3-methyl-1-phenyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]pyridin-4-yl)-N-(5-nitro-furan-2-ylmethylene)-hydrazine,

N-(3-methyl-1-phenyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]pyridin-4-yl)-N-(2-trifluoromethyl-benzylidene)-hydrazine,

N-(3-methyl-1-phenyl-1H-pyrazolo[3,4-b]pyridin-4-yl)-N-(6-nitro-benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-ylmethylene)-hydrazine,

4-(3-chloro-4-methoxy-benzylamino)-1-ethyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

4-(3-chloro-4-methoxy-benzylamino)-1-ethyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5- (pyridin-4-ylmethyl)-amide,

4-(3-chloro-4-methoxy-benzylamino)-1-ethyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5- (tetrahydro-furan-2-ylmethyl)-amide,

4-(3-chloro-4-methoxy-benzylamino)-1-ethyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-(5-hydroxy-pentyl)-amide,

4-(3-chloro-4-methoxy-benzylamino)-1-ethyl-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-[3-(2-oxo-pyrrolidine-1-yl)-propyl]-amide,

ethylic ester of 4-*tert*-butylamino-1-(2-chloro-2-phenyl-ethyl)-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

ethylic ester of 1-(2-chloro-2-phenyl-ethyl)-4-cyclopropylamino-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

ethylic ester of 1-(2-chloro-2-phenyl-ethyl)-4-propylamino-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

ethylic ester of 1-(2-chloro-2-phenyl-ethyl)-4-phenylamino-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

ethylic ester of 4-butylamino-1-(2-chloro-2-phenyl-ethyl)-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

ethylic ester of 1-(2-chloro-2-phenyl-ethyl)-4-(2-ethoxy-ethylamino)-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid,

ethylic ester of 4-benzylamino-1-(2-chloro-2-phenyl-ethyl)-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid, and

ethylic ester of 1-(2-chloro-2-phenyl-ethyl)-4-phenethylamino-1*H*-pyrazolo[3,4-*b*]pyridine-5-carboxylic acid.

- 11. (New) The method of claim 7, for treating cognitive deficit in a patient having a neurodegenerative disease selected from Alzheimer's disease, vascular dementia, Parkinson's disease and Huntington's chorea.
- 12. (New) The method of claim 7, wherein the composition is administered orally or systemically.
- 13. (New) A method of improving perceptive cognition in a patient having a neurodegenerative disease, the method comprising administering to the patient an effective amount of etazolate.
- 14. (New) The method of claim 13, wherein the patient has an Alzheimer's disease or vascular dementia.